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SUBJ: TRANSBORDER SCIENTIFIC BALLOON FLIGHTS

REF: STATE 158978

1. AT INFORMAL MEETING AT EXTAFF JUNE 22, SUBJECT OF
POTENTIAL TRANS-BORDER BALLOON FLIGHTS DISCUSSED PER
REFTEL WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH EXTAFF AND NATIONAL
RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA.

2. CONSENSUS OF GROUP WAS THAT A SUITABLE AGREEMENT,
PERHAPS IN THE FORM OF AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES, WOULD BE
DESIRABLE. FEELING WAS THAT AGREEMENT COULD BE VERY
SIMPLE UMBRELLA TYPE PROVIDING ADVANCE AGREEMENT IN
PRINCIPLE FOR THE RECOVERY OF PAYLOADS AND EQUIPMENT WHICH
MIGHT STRAY ACROSS THE BORDER SUBJECT, OF COURSE, TO FULL
COMPLIANCE WITH ALL AIR TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
APPLICABLE TO THE TYPE OF SCIENTIFIC FLIGHT INVOLVED.

3. IT WAS INFORMALLY AGREED THAT BOTH SIDES WOULD TAKE A
LOOK AT THE SITUATION. PREPARE TENTATIVE WORKING
DRAFTS TO BE EXCHANGED IN MID-SEPTEMBER AND THAT
EXTAFF INVITES AMERICAN TEAM FROM DEPARTMENT AND OTHER
AGENCIES IF CONSIDERED DESIRABLE TO OTTAWA ROUGHLY A
MONTH LATER, I.E., MID-OCTOBER TO MERGE THE TWO DRAFTS
INTO ONE AGREED VERSION. PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS ACCEPTABLE
TO DEPARTMENT.

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